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SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 7TH NOVEMBER, 1945, at 3.30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Confirmation of the Proceedings of the General Meeting held on 3rd October, 1945.
2. Consideration of the following motion moved by the Council and read at the preceding two Ordinary General Meetings of the Society :—
“That the name of Professor H. Weber, an Honorary Fellow, be removed from the List of Fellows.”
3. Recommendations of candidates for Fellowship.
4. Announcement of election of new Fellows.
5. Additions to the Library since the meeting of 3rd October, 1945 :—

Presented.

Transactions of the Norfolk & Norwich Naturalists' Society. 1871–1873.

Heslop, I. R. P. : *Check list of the British Lepidoptera with the English name of each of the 2299 species.* 8vo. London. 1945.

In addition separates have been presented by Dr. J. W. Evans, M.A., D.Sc., U.S. Department of Agriculture, The Smithsonian Institute, Rev. Prof. L. W. Grensted, M.A., D.D., Capt. K. J. Hayward, and Mr. B. J. Lempke.

6. Admission of Fellows.
7. Nomination of Officers and Council for 1946.
8. Communications.

(1) **Dr. B. M. Hobby.**

A further instance of “anting” by a starling.

(2) **Miss C. M. Longfield.**

On the need for Beginners' Handbooks on British insects.

[Abstract.]

The desirability of the preparation and publication of handbooks for beginners on the Diptera, Coleoptera, Hymenoptera and several other Orders

is undoubted. It will be urged that a beginning should be made with a few volumes in the style of *The Dragonflies of the British Isles* or Dr. Malcolm Burr's little book on Grasshoppers, for the demand from potential entomologists is great. The subject needs approaching scientifically, but with a strong pictorial appeal as well, to suit the publishers' commercial demands and to attract the beginners at the outset. Of great importance is an analytical key to the genera and sufficiently good illustrations to give an "outline" of the insect needing identification, with detailed descriptions in the letterpress to differentiate between closely similar species.

(3) **Prof. G. D. Hale Carpenter, M.B.E., D.M.**

Evidence of relative inedibility of an African and an Australian
aposematic grasshopper.

(4) Communications and exhibits of which the titles have been received since the circulation of these agenda.

Tea will be served in the Library after the Meeting.

Fellows are particularly requested to bring suitable exhibits to the General Meetings even though it may not be possible to give notice of their intention to do so before the Meeting.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 3RD OCTOBER, 1945.

Professor G. D. Hale CARPENTER, M.B.E., D.M., in the Chair.

Present, 56 Fellows and 1 Visitor.

The minutes of the General Meeting held on 20th June, 1945, which had been circulated, were confirmed, and signed by the Chairman.

The Chairman announced the election of Mr. Hugh Main to a Special Life Fellowship.

The names of the following candidates for election were read :—

For the first time : R. F. Avery, M.A., R. G. Chatelain, Rev. J. M. Dunning, R. S. Ferry, A. T. Gaul, B.S., H. E. Hammond, F. Hewson, Agnes A. Meikle, B.Sc., L. W. Miller, M. Agr. Sc., J. L. Palmer, O.B.E., F.R.C.S., J. T. Salmon, M.Sc., J. D. Shapland, G. Stoughton-Harris, O. G. Watkins, L. Williams.

For the second time : S. R. Gauntlett, R. A. Green, J. Leclercq.

The Secretary read the names of the following newly elected Fellows of the Society :—Dr. P. H. Abbott, Sudan Medical Service, Khartoum, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan; Dr. C. J. Galbraith, 29 Union Road, Exeter, Devon; A. M. Morley, Esq., 9 Radnor Park West, Folkestone, Kent.

In accordance with the Bye Laws, Chapter XVI, § 2, the Secretary read for the second time the following written notice of a motion to remove a Fellow :—

“ It is proposed to remove the name of Professor H. Weber, an Honorary Fellow, from the List of Fellows.

Signed on behalf of the Council

20th June, 1945.

G. D. Hale Carpenter, President.”

J. H. Flint, Major C. L. Patton-Bethune, M.C., and H. K. Airy-Shaw signed the Obligation Book and were admitted Fellows of the Society.

Thanks were voted to the donors of gifts to the Library since the last Meeting.

A communication was made by Dr. J. W. Evans, an abstract of which appeared on page 23.

In addition Mr. H. St. J. K. Donisthorpe exhibited a specimen of *Ludius ferrugineus* L. ab. *occitanicus* Villers, a variety in which the thorax is entirely black, not hitherto recorded from Britain. A similar specimen had been obtained by Mr. Allen, both having been reared from larvae obtained from the recently felled elm trees of the Long Walk, Windsor Park.

Dr. W. H. Thorpe exhibited living examples of the water bug *Aphelochirus montandoni* Horváth, from Oxford, and gave a brief account of its habits and of its known distribution in Great Britain.

Mr. C. N. Hawkins showed larvae of *Herse convolvuli* reared from ova laid by a female taken at Freshwater, I. of W., by Dr. Blair. They were then in their penultimate stadium. Both green and brown forms were present, and no tendency had been observed for a larva which had once turned brown to revert to green at a subsequent moult.

Dr. H. B. D. Kettlewell exhibited the long series of *Pontia daplidice* which he had obtained in Cornwall in July (see 1945, *Entomologist* 78 : 123), and also a long series of their progeny.

N. D. RILEY, *Hon. Secretary.*

The next Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 5th December, 1945, at 3.30 p.m.

ADMISSION OF FELLOWS

Any Fellow who has not been formally admitted to the Society under Chapter XIV, Section 4 of the Bye-Laws and attends the meeting on 7th November, 1945, is requested to inform the Registrar before 3.15 p.m. on that date.

NOTICES

In addition to the *Transactions* and *Proceedings* (Series A, B, and C), the following publications are available on application at the Society's rooms:—

THE GENERIC NAMES OF BRITISH INSECTS, prepared by the Committee on Generic Nomenclature of the Royal Entomological Society of London, with the assistance of the Department of Entomology of the British Museum (Natural History):

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STYLOPS, a Journal of Taxonomic Entomology.

1932-1935. Vols. 1-4 (all issued). Price £1 16*s*. 0*d*. each; to Fellows, £1 7*s*. 0*d*.

ABSTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE ROYAL ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON. 1935. Nos. 1-6 (all issued). 3*s*. 0*d*.

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